

THE WEATHER
Showers and thunder storms this afternoon and tonight. Tuesday showers and colder.

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BEST PEOPLE ON EARTH

READY FOR DEDICATION OF THEIR BIG NEW HOME

Public Reception Tonight to
Open the Dedication Fea-
tures This Week.

AN ELEGANT BUILDING

Erected in Modern Style and
at a Large Expenditure
of Money.

With a public reception tonight from 8 to 11 o'clock, Clarksburg Lodge, No. 482, Benevolent Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America, will begin exercises opening its new home on West Pike street, and the program will continue until Wednesday night, inclusive, when a reception and ball will be the closing number. The dedicatory services proper will be held tomorrow afternoon from 4 to 5 o'clock and will be attended exclusively by members of the order. A large number of members from other lodges in the state is expected to attend.

The public reception tonight from 8 to 11 o'clock in the home will be for all visitors, whether Elks or not. As previously announced the reception committee on this occasion will be composed of Col. David Davidson, Charles M. Hart, Virgil L. Highland, Albert W. Rapp, Burton M. Despard, Andrew Edmiston, W. E. Haymond and Frank R. Moore. The Cadenza orchestra will play.

Dedicatory Services.
District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler Lucius Hoge, Jr., will have charge of the dedicatory services from 4 to 5 o'clock tomorrow afternoon and all of the regular officers of the lodge will be at their stations. Disappointment is felt over the fact that Col. John T. McGraw, of Granton, could not accept an invitation to make an address at the services, and members and visitors will be called upon to make a few remarks.

The first regular lodge session in the new home will be held tomorrow night at 8 o'clock. It will be followed with a banquet and social session with Mayor Frank R. Moore acting as toastmaster. Ex-Governor A. B. White, of Parkersburg, will be present and be among the speakers of the evening. All of Tuesday's exercises will be attended by Elks only and the home will be open from 10 o'clock a. m. for Elks.

Not only Clarksburg Lodge of Elks but residents generally are proud of the new home. It represents an investment of about \$35,000 including the lot, the purchase price of which was \$15,000. The building itself cost \$20,000 and the furnishing about \$20,000.

Style of Building.
The building is of Colonial design, consisting of three floors not including the basement, is of steel, brick and stone and covers a ground space of forty-three and one-half feet fronting on West Pike street and running 128 1/2 feet toward Traders alley. The basement contains a boiler room and spacious cold storage rooms, four bowling alley spaces, buffet room, serving pantries, storage rooms and refrigerator rooms. The grill room may be entered from the side as well as the front.

The street floor contains the auditorium suitable for gatherings, dances and shows, reception hall, ladies' and gentlemen's parlors, seven private dining rooms, steward's room, serving pantry, cloak rooms and in the entrance and of the auditorium is a balcony. The auditorium has a seating capacity of 431 but 500 can be provided for.

There is a mezzanine floor between the street and top floors, where the steward has a suite of rooms and where there is ample space for the storage of furniture.

The top floor consists of the lodge hall, ante room, committee rooms, directors' room and library rooms. The lodge hall is designed in the old Gothic style, tapestry brick and oak timbers hewn out being used in the interior finish and it has a very ecclesiastical appearance. Experts have pronounced it one of the most elegant lodge rooms in the entire country.

Fronting on West Pike street is a large veranda on the street floor with a balcony above and the heavy columns used in the building.

The architecture is the clever work of Holmboe & Lafferty, of this city, and Charles L. Hickman was the supervising architect.

The main hall of the building is done in purple and emblems of the



NEW HOME OF CLARKSBURG ELKS

BANGOR'S BLAZE CAUSES HUNGER

order. The main men's reception room is in red leather, the ladies' reception room is of Louis the Sixteenth style, the double private dining room is in golden oak colonial, the single private dining rooms have fumed oak mission style, the lodge room is of old Spanish mission, and fumed oak mission style is used in the grill and billiard parlors. The main porch has terra cotta tile flooring and the front wall of the building is of tapestry brick. The acoustics of the theater are par excellent and the stage is spacious. Possibly there is no more attractive feature of the building than the large library room at the front on the top floor opening to the balcony above the entrance porch.

The building was erected and is owned by the Elks' Company, comprised of many members of the lodge. The company's present officers are: Lucius Hoge, Jr., president; Charles S. Bentley, vice president; Will H. Cole, secretary; and Virgil L. Highland, treasurer. These with Charles L. Hickman, John J. Denham, Samuel R. Bentley, H. A. Heinz and Frank H. Horr comprise the board of directors of the company. Thomas Ramage is attorney for the company.

The building committee under whose direction the building was erected, consists of Frank B. Haymaker, Vincent E. Goeke, Earl Spraker, E. J. Francois, Lyle A. Smith and D. Lee Hedges.

The Contractors.
A number of leading contractors and firms of the country contributed to the erection of this splendid structure, with highest skill and genius shown.

The general contractor was C. W. Dowling, of Marietta, O., whose work on some of the best buildings in the city, including the new home, command him most highly as a successful builder.

The F. C. Welch Plumbing Company, of the city, installed the modern plumbing and heating system and did the electric wiring, the quality of the work showing again the excellence.

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FOREST RESERVES

May Be Created Irrespective
of the State Fencing
Laws.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 1.—The United States supreme court did not announce its decision in the Standard Oil or Tobacco Company cases today. In another case it held that the government may, without the consent of the state affected, set aside vast areas of public lands as forest reserves irrespective of state fencing laws.

ATTACKS BILL

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 1.—Representative Moss, of Indiana, in a speech in the House today declared himself in favor of the free list bill. Longworth, of Ohio, attacked the bill in strong terms.

Only Two Lives Lost But
Thousands Have Neither
Food Nor Shelter.

BANGOR, Maine, May 1.—Homeless, wet, hungry and exhausted by a long fight against flames which last night destroyed practically a third of Bangor, thousands of persons today faced the problem of providing themselves with food, shelter and clothing, while the city and state authorities began the consideration of plans for rebuilding the city.

Although rain brought discomfort to the homeless it means bringing under control the great conflagration which raged more than seven hours.

At 7:45 o'clock this morning the fire was practically extinguished, with a third of the city destroyed including some of the finest homes in the residential part of Bangor, all public buildings with the exception of the city hall and the greater part of the retail section.

It is estimated that no less than six million dollars' worth of property was destroyed. The loss of life so far as known was confined to two persons, and only half a dozen injured persons were admitted to the hospitals.

MAGVEAGH SUED

For Damages by Leach Be-
cause of Alleged Defama-
tory Statements.

CHICAGO, May 1.—Franklin McVeagh, secretary of the treasury, was sued today for \$100,000 by Charles F. Leach, former collector of customs at Cleveland. The suit grew out of a statement by McVeagh following Leach's dismissal March 10 in which violations of the treasury department rules were alleged.

MEETING AT ADAMSTON.

In the Odd Fellows' hall at Adamston Wednesday night at 8 o'clock there will be a meeting of persons interested in agriculture. A. P. Morrison, county superintendent of schools, and others will speak. All are invited.

BURGLAR

Gets \$10 and Something to Drink in
McNair's Saloon.

A burglar broke into Peter McNair's saloon on South Third street Saturday night or Sunday morning, stole \$10 in cash from the drawer of a roll top desk and helped himself to a small quantity of liquor. The thief broke open the front doors, which were standing wide open when the robbery was discovered.

COURT BEGINS ITS MAY TERM

With Judge Charles W.
Lynch on the Court
Bench.

With Charles W. Lynch presiding, the May term of the circuit court began here Monday morning.

Mark Thomas, J. T. Hellman, Thomas Martin and Thomas Mullen were granted licenses to carry revolvers as special policemen for the tin plate company.

An order of submission was entered in the case of Mary Jane Loughmiller against Joseph Winter et al.

The suit of the First National Bank of New Martinsville against T. M. Jackson was dismissed. Dismissal orders were also entered in the suits of the Willson-Barie Company against James E. Barnes and Benjamin Leon against the Fairmont Coal Company.

The suits of August Rolles against the Fairmont Coal Company and Benton Queen against the Baltimore and Ohio railroad were dropped from the docket.

Handbook Perine's suit against the South Penn Oil Company was continued until May 15.

C. R. Peck committee for Theopolis W. Lawson was authorized to negotiate a loan of \$2,000 for his ward.

The cause of J. R. Flint, assignee, against the Baltimore and Ohio was re-instated on the docket.

The motion to grant a new trial in the suit of Samuel A. Elliott against E. D. Lewis, administrator of Matthew B. Cukendall, was denied and judgment was entered.

MONEY LEFT IN POLICE COURT

By Several Persons Whom
Police Arrest for Various
Offenses.

Cash bonds of \$11.60 each were forfeited this morning in police court by a man and woman who gave their names as John and Miss Doe and who were arrested Sunday night in a second story room on Fourth street, Glen Elk, for associating together unlawfully. Policemen Shinn, Joyce and Simms arrested them.

A cash bond of \$6.60 was also forfeited by the driver of an automobile, who was arrested Sunday evening for exceeding the speed limit. The license number of his car is 1433.

Two men paid fines of \$4.60 each for drunkenness in the street.

At Sunday morning's session of the court a young woman giving her name as Anna Detemore was convicted of loitering in the street and was sent out of the city. She had just arrived on a train a short time before a policeman got her.

James Wamsley was sentenced to serve five days in jail for fighting in Pike street Saturday night.

Six other men who were arrested for drunkenness and for disorderly conduct paid the usual penalties and were released.

Mayor Frank R. Moore presided at both sessions.

UNSETTLED

Board Bill Lands Showman and De-
fective in County Jail.

Arthur Libby, a showman and defective, languishes in the county jail awaiting a hearing in Justice G. H. Gordon's court on a charge of defrauding Mrs. Julia Lewis, of Glen Elk, of a board bill amounting to \$15. He was arrested Sunday as he was going from a Parkersburg to a Weston train at the local railroad passenger station by Constable William Post.

BIG OHIO BRIBERY SCANDAL AMONG THE STATE SOLONS

SHOPMEN GO OUT WITHOUT A NOTICE

Thousands of Pennsylvania
Railroad Employees Will
Join the Strikers.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., May 1.—Pennsylvania railroad shopmen to the number of 1,500 went on an unexpected strike between this city and Altoona today. Some train crews joined the strikers at Pittsbn.

The strikers claim 8,000 men will be affected. They further say that other employees of the company to the number of 10,000 will go out in sympathy some time today and tonight.

The grievance of the shopmen is that the company is discharging and laying off men because they belong to the unions.



ELKS' EMBLEM

BURGLARS BUSY DOWN THE RIVER

Two Stores and the Postoffice
Are Broken Into at An
Early Hour.

Intense excitement resulted Monday morning at Shinnston from a chain of burglaries committed there between midnight and daybreak. Three business places were visited, the last of which was the postoffice.

So far there is no clue to the identity of the burglars as they scattered cayenne pepper in the places they robbed in order to prevent the use of bloodhounds in running them down. As a result quest for the guilty persons will have to be made in some other way and it is doubtful whether they will be caught.

At Mutu Swiger's jewelry store they broke open a rear door, entered and went through the cash drawer, getting some change belonging to the store and the money collected at the Baptist Sunday school Sunday.

Haught Brothers' drug store was among the places visited. The burglars got considerable cash there from the cash drawer and damaged the safe but did not succeed in opening it. Entrance was effected there the same way the burglars entered the Swiger jewelry store.

It is believed the postoffice was the last place visited by them. They got all the change there was on hand and took all the registered mail, the amount of which has not been definitely learned. They got into the postoffice building by breaking a rear window open. Postmaster James N. Knox has notified the proper federal authorities and they will go to work at once on the case.

STRUCK BY ENGINE

Is Guy Lawson, a Glass
Worker, But Trainmen
Saves Him from Death.

Guy Lawson, a glass worker, was struck by an engine at the Y of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad tracks near the Junction here at 7:30 o'clock Sunday evening, receiving injuries on the chest and legs, painful but not believed to be fatal. One of the trainmen grabbed him just as he was struck and thus doubtless saved his life. He was taken to the Martin boarding house, where medical attention was given him.

INSURRECTION SPREADS.

HONGKONG, May 1.—The insurrection at Canton is spreading rapidly throughout the country. The rebels have taken three important towns in the West river district, all of which they looted.

Detectives in Police Court
Make Sensational Charges
Against Members.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

In the Most Sensational Brib-
ing Disgrace in All Its
History.

COLUMBUS, O., May 1.—Members of the legislature today flocked into the city hours earlier than usual on Mondays. The cause was charges made by detectives, who have been here several weeks investigating legislative bribery, that they have unearthed the worst scandal in the history of the Ohio general assembly.

Senators and representatives, who are openly charged with having accepted money, had not reached the city early today and their version of the detectives' story is not known at first hand, although several were reported from their home towns as denying the charges.

Governor Harmon consulted with Attorney General Hogan today regarding the sensational developments. F. S. Harrington, of New York, and A. C. Bailey and Davis Berry, of Chicago, detectives, arraigned in police court for alleged bribery representations to George B. Nye, waived examination and were bound over to the grand jury. They furnished bonds and were released. Detective Harrison names four state senators with whom he had dealings and to whom he paid money.

The legislature meets at 5 o'clock today, when an investigation committee will be appointed.

Prosecuting Attorney Turner, of Franklin county, held a conference with Attorney General Hogan regarding the bribery scandal.

Harrison said: "We have twenty legislators caught. If I had been here a week longer I would have run out of money, they are so eager for it. It will take us a week to tell all we found out and mark my words, we have proofs to convict the accused men."

CLOSING

Exercises of Adamston School
Will Be Held Monday
and Tuesday Nights.

Closing exercises will be held Monday and Tuesday nights at the Adamston public school building. A play entitled "A College Town," will be presented tonight by the pupils of the eighth grade and tomorrow night the commencement exercises of the school will be held, including a lecture by a well known educator, and the presentation of certificates of attainment. Music will be furnished for both occasions by the Adamston orchestra. No admission will be charged and the public is cordially invited to attend both entertainments. They will begin at 7:30 o'clock.

ROUNDERS

Defeat Meadowbrook Team in Their
First Game.

The Rounders baseball team opened its season with victory by defeating the Meadowbrook team Sunday afternoon before a large crowd by a score of 4 to 3. Both teams played a fast and exciting game. Fischer's stealing home in the fourth inning was a feature. The score: Meadowbrook... 030000000—3 4 4 Rounders... 611100010—4 9 2 Batteries—Curt and Fischer, Craig and Homer.

LAW UPHOLD.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 1.—The Supreme Court of the United States today upheld the constitutionality of a New York statute forbidding the use of the photograph or name of another for trade or advertising purposes without the permission of the subject.